

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

KENNEY PEELE,

Plaintiff,

v.

9:15-CV-0317
(GTS/TWD)

ROBERT M. DONAH, Corr. Officer, Clinton
Corr. Facility; CURTIS E. SMITH, Corr. Officer,
Clinton Corr. Facility; PAUL L. FLETCHER,
Corr. Officer, Clinton Corr. Facility; K. GORDON,
Corr. Officer, Clinton Corr. Facility; C. RODIER,
Corr. Officer, Clinton Corr. Facility; and VINCENT
SAMOLIS, Sergeant, Clinton Corr. Facility,

Defendants.

APPEARANCES:

OF COUNSEL:

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GLENN T. SUDDABY, Chief United States District Judge

DECISION and ORDER

Currently before the Court, in this *pro se* prisoner civil rights action filed by Kenney Peele (“Plaintiff”) against the above-captioned employees of the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (“Defendants”) at Clinton Correctional Facility in Dannemora, New York, are Defendants’ motion for partial summary judgment and United States

Magistrate Judge Thérèse Wiley Dancks' Report-Recommendation recommending that Defendants' motion be granted in part and denied in part. (Dkt. Nos. 35, 49.) None of the parties have filed objections to the Report-Recommendation and the deadline in which to do so has expired. (*See generally* Docket Sheet.)

After carefully reviewing the relevant papers herein, including Magistrate Judge Dancks' thorough Report-Recommendation, the Court can find no clear-error in the Report-Recommendation.¹ Magistrate Judge Dancks employed the proper standards, accurately recited the facts, and reasonably applied the law to those facts. As a result, the Report-Recommendation is accepted and adopted in its entirety for the reasons set forth therein, and Defendants' motion is granted as to Defendant Fletcher and denied as to Defendants Gordon, Rodier, and Samolis

ACCORDINGLY, it is

ORDERED that Magistrate Judge Dancks' Report-Recommendation (Dkt. No. 49) is **ACCEPTED** and **ADOPTED** in its entirety; and it is further

ORDERED that Defendants' motion for partial summary judgment (Dkt. No. 35) is **GRANTED** as to Plaintiff's claims against Defendant Fletcher, and that Defendant is **DISMISSED** from this action; and it is further

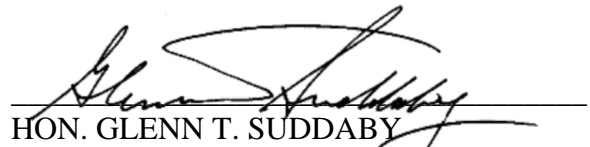
ORDERED that Defendants' motion for partial summary judgment (Dkt. No. 35) is **DENIED** as to Plaintiff's claims against Defendants Gordon, Rodier and Samolis; and it is further

¹ When no objection is made to a report-recommendation, the Court subjects that report-recommendation to only a clear error review. Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b), Advisory Committee Notes: 1983 Addition. When performing such a "clear error" review, "the court need only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation." *Id.*; see also *Batista v. Walker*, 94-CV-2826, 1995 WL 453299, at *1 (S.D.N.Y. July 31, 1995) (Sotomayor, J.) ("I am permitted to adopt those sections of [a magistrate judge's] report to which no specific objection is made, so long as those sections are not facially erroneous.") (internal quotation marks omitted).

ORDERED that Pro Bono Counsel be appointed for the Plaintiff for purposes of trial only; any appeal shall remain the responsibility of the plaintiff alone unless a motion for appointment of counsel for an appeal is granted; and it is further

ORDERED that upon assignment of Pro Bono Counsel, a pretrial conference with counsel will be scheduled in this action, at which time the Court will schedule a jury trial for Plaintiff's 8th Amendment excessive force claims against Defendants Donah, Smith, Gordon and Rodier, and Plaintiff's 8th Amendment failure to intervene and failure to properly train/supervise staff against Defendant Samolis. Counsel are directed to appear at the pretrial conference with settlement authority from the parties.

Dated: August 17, 2016
Syracuse, New York


HON. GLENN T. SUDDABY
Chief United States District Judge